Women's Rights and impartial Suffrage; exception; then it was rare to find mar-

of Church or State.

for the purpose of "prosecuting an kee race is destined to run out. agitation which shall wake the nation and remove restrictions on the ballot." Nor do we see why, if the current We find a report of the proceedings

The Convention issued an address which we would like to see our ecclesi-

of a sex; and all her appeals to courts or a fool. communities, for equality and justice, are christian republic. She is a native, freehistory and economy; political, social, Presbyterian Churches. and moral, and on philosophy in all its commanded ships; discovered and des- and asking connection with the race to degradation and slavery through | dered to places on the roll. Canaan's sin. But where shall woman are illuminating the world? A man once the Moderator. 'Where liberty is, there is my coun-

The Yankee race destined to run out.

not very hopeful and flattering facts bonds of peace, and working with her, and opinions, at an agricultural fair in as she with Christ, for the salvation of blue room.

many children as the same number of years shows more deaths than births, and within twenty-five years the population has been reduced by over one hundred and fifty persons. On the other side of us, in the town of Wilmington, made up mostly of American families, there have also been more deaths than births, and this town reports less inhabitants now

than it had fifteen years ago." On this the Boston Pilot remarks

erations averaged about seven to each them into a hot quarrel.

How will our Ecclesiastical Radicals ried persons having only one, two, and three children—now it is very common! will have no controversy with any but three children—now it is very common! In the late Women's Rights Conven- Then it was regarded as a calamity for a earthly agents. tion at Albany, the inconsistencies of Mr.
Horace Greeley and the "impartial suffrage" men were furiously assailed by Dr. Allen finds from a census of the State Mrs. Stanton, who is evidently the peer of any of the breaches wearing Stantons — political or ecclesiastical — in brains, impudence, and unscrupulous in made up from this class. 'If there recklessness, and, on the Jacobin theory of impartial suffrage, better intitled than any of them to vote at the polls stage average less than three children and to rule in any of the departments | each, and these in each successive generation have, on an average, a less and less than of an earnest, heart-searching apof Church or State.

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The convention it seems, resolved itself into an Equal Rights Association, resolved its an expectation of the Equal Rights Association itself into an equal Ri riages, it is pretty evident that the Yan-

A rather transcendental report of Presbyterial proceedings.

theory of our ecclesiastical Jacobins be of that remarkable Assembly's Presbytrue, they should not ultimately be suc- tery recently organized in New Orleans, cessful in securing "impartial suffrage" in "the organ more than any other in our man and discover the secret of his rein the true sense of the term. They | Church set for the defense of the truth," have as few difficulties to surmount from which we make the following ex- rewarded with partial success. It confrom the teachings of the Bible; they tracts for the wonder and admiration of have a much stronger array of facts on our common ecclesiastical men in this especial fitness to their Puritan eccenwhich to rest the claim of women to region. Which of the three illustrious tricities. Brooklyn has helped to make tion authorizing the Committee on Revote; they have a far superior logical members is the reporter must be a matartillery to bring to the assault, and a ter of surmise. We can hardly think far, far feebler logical battery to assail, that "Brother Hollander, who would than the negrophilists had twenty years have been a man of note in the days of looked into Brooklyn's eye, watched to have his praises published. And we case. It is a sort of hysterics, a morbid mittee on Beneficiary education, preastical Jacobins answer on their theory. suppose if Brother Paul Heuser had diet, a whimsical, fidgetty, foolish fond. There For even if the Biblical exegesis is not very sound, it is no worse than the best have been pure, not "mixed," as Dr. the quack to deceive the patient. He have been pure, not "mixed," as Dr. treats the disease in accordance with the "Base and degrading as has been the position of the negro, in the government of the State of New York, that of woman of the State of New York, that of woman of the state of New York, the state of New Yo port and obey. In the making or execu-excentric, but great Dr. Cox on being and cauterizations of rebuke and exhor-

The following were present, viz: Revs. ten and published invaluable treatises on ger, representing the Second German

After the reading and adoption of the departments; filled honorably professors' minutes of the last meeting, the Revs. W. chairs; governed nations; led armies; H. Roane and Owen Reidy being present, cribed new planets; and patiently ex- Presbytery proceeded, through the Modplored the whole realm of scientific re- erator, to examine them on the usual search; and yet because in life's allott points. Both these brethren being known ment she is female, not male, woman not | to members of Presbytery, and in view of man; the curse of inferiority cleaves to circumstances peculiar to the times-transient her through all her generations. Eden's also, as hoped, and very far from affecting dire anathema was to be removed on the them unfovorably in the minds of all such as, coming of the second Adam; and in the knowing them, acknowledge, and yield, two sepnew dispensation there was to be neither arate and distinct loyalties, the one politica male nor female. Jewish outlawry from and the other religious-the usual comall the nations, continuing through al- mendatory letters were dispensed with most twenty centuries, is repealed by and, the examination of each having common consent among all civilized gov- continued at some length and to the ernments. Nor does the course of etern- satisfaction of Presbytery, both were real attainder longer blast the Ethiopian ceived as members, and their names or-

In view of further business, not yet look for her redemption in this auspici- sufficiently matured for present action, it ous hour, when new dawnings of liberty, was resolved that when Presbytery adnew surmises of human enfranchisement journ, it adjourn to meet at the call of

After some further discussion of Presa nationality where she shall be taxed to our venerable Church, through her excellent support no government she did not aid executive organ the Board of Domestic Misin making, obey no law she did help to sions, the emotions of love and gratitude enact, nor suffer any penalty until ad- which we, her children, in this remote judged by a jury, in part, at least, of her corner of the land, gladly entertain for her, especially in view of the harsh and undeserved of Lowell, Massachusetts,—and he is giving, and will give as she may be yet more abundantly able, to us, and to othas reliable a man as Massachusetts can ers like ourselves in the South while prinduce — promulged the following struggling, under manifold disadvantages, to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the

souls; to express also, &c., &c. Permit me to say that Brother Hollan-"I find that in many of these towns der would, in the days of the apostles, He uses his learning, fancy, and oratory the number of deaths with the Amer- have been a man of note-like Apollos ican portion exceed the births. If we for instance. He makes no pretensions include the foreign element, it is not so. to learning, though far from undervalu-Their families have two or three times as ing it, and wears therefore no badges of academic distinction, but is nevertheless Dunstable, made up almost wholly of American families, the record for five years shows more deaths than hirths and mer would dislike the latter very decid-

> men, two women, two children or even waves it into play by a "when I stood at a single married couple that ever did, will, the tomb of Heloise in France," or some tiality. or can agree perfectly on any subject ad. mitting difference of opinion. On the other hand also you may take the persons who most nearly agree, propose to them any subject of admitting divergence of views, huntthis | ing with his oracular position in Brook-

family; the fifth generation about four How easy for any one, malignant how to seize the reins of reform, and

This Presbytery therefore seeks, and

A Young Methodist's impressions of Henry Ward Beecher.

Our ingenious and accomplished young BEECHER's preaching:

THE SERMON AND THE MAN. mon were good, but they were presented more in the style of a literary discourse ply of topics, his readiness to gratify week after week, through many years, the Protean demands of New York sensational epicures. In all these respects he is a wonder. He preaches to an audience of four or five thousand people every Sanday, and yet is a perpetual novelty. I tried to analyze the sists, first, in the peculiarities of the people who compose his church, and his Beecher as much as Beecher has helped to make himself. He has felt Brooklyn's from the minority committee or elsepulse, seen the coating on Brooklyn's where as they may deem expedient, tongue, noticed Brooklyn's appetite,

the apostles," could have written it, since, though fond of praise, he dislikes oughly acquainted with Brooklyn's dissections. The Rev. Mr. McKay,

he may pander to them. He is a Yankee, not believed that there is a single ses the candidates recommended, preference movements of philanthropy and charity; J. H. Hollander, Paul Heuser, and D. S, and an embodiment of the shrewdness, sion or congregation, much less, Pres-shall be given to such candidates as are has founded and sustained churches; es- Baker, with Ruling Elders Henry Munch. genius, and indomitable perseverance of bytery or Synod that does not acknowl- nearest to the close of their course of tablished missions; edited journals; writ- representing the First, and Joseph Jea- Yankeeism. Put him where you will edge the responsibility that rests upon studies. in any description of disguise, and he the church to secure and maintain for Art. V. It shall be the duty of the could not speak five minutes without disclosing his Yankee origin and education. His smart savings delivered in a see eve to eve in reference to the prosetion. His smart sayings, delivered in a see eye to eye in reference to the prose-byteries, the chairman of each of which conversational tone, with a quizzical cution of this branch of christian enter- Presbyterial Committees must be regard glance of the eye and shaking of the prise, the paramount importance of ed as a corresponding member of this foot as he leans carelessly upon his table, which is admitted by all, and upon the Committee. And it shall be the duty of his affectation of excitement in pro- successful conduct of which depends the Committee to procure, from these corpounding some old crotchet dressed up the efficiency of every other scheme of responding members, semi-annual reports dropping of the voice from a high key dropping of the voice from a high key or may hereafter be inaugurated, sure in turn to transmit to these members, for into a pathetic whisper when portraying we are, that the General Assembly can, the information of their Presbyteries, a picturesque or tender scene, his ges- at least, adopt some plan which will semi-annual statements of the condition tures of evidently studied grace, his harmonize the sentiment and commend of the whole field.

strain a Southern auditor to set him the great body of the church. excellent actor. Hence, whatever merits the composition of his discourse may have. and try; but on what continent or island, or byterial prospects and exigencies, it was however much he may interest his in what vast wilderness shall woman find resolved that the stated clerk express to hearers by an artistic declamation of

that composition, he does not warm and kindle you into a fervor of sympathy; teries. he does not melt you into tears, nor elevate you into rejoicing. You watch his every motion as you would those of treatment she is now made to endure in the a star performer; you listen to his every other parts of the land, and on occasion also word as you would to those of a fine Our old classmate, Dr. Nathan Allen, of the most helpful aid she has given, is drama; but you feel that it is all an exhibition, a mask, and that when the curtain falls and the lamps are extinguished, there is nothing of reality left but ropes and paste jewels and scattered ribbons and other trinkets of the

> A serious objection I have to Mr. Beecher is kis constant display of self. as footlights to illuminate his own marvellous parts in the conception of his spectators, and instead of holding up the gospel before him and obscuring

If he speaks of a honeysuckle, it is the their duties. honeysuckle on my porch; if he mentions a lark, it is the lark whose young have nests in my garden; if he calls up Nor could you, Brother Allen, find two a historical occurrence or character, he similar form. In nearly every sentence that capital letter has a conspicuous position. But this is all strictly in keep-

hundred years, and its history will include peace and joy in the Holy Ghost, and of being an enthusiast. He is too cool, some six generations. From actual expervaded, instead, by that which is from too passionless, too adaptive, too ingenamination, it is found that the families below and has possessed schismatics in all ages composing the first generation averaged of the Church), you can soon not only decartas it is of weakness. He is a schemer. eight children each; the next three gen. velop irreconcilable differences, but fan cantas it is of weakness. He is a schemer, and works up to his schemes. He knows | Education.

THE MEMPHIS ASSEMBLY.

TENTH DAY. Monday Nov. 26, 1866.

The Assembly met at 9 o'clock and was opened with prayer by Rev. Wm. Brown D. D.

LAND, writes to the Watchman of New ting a committee to confer with the York, his impressions of HENRY WARD | committee from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, viz; Revs. J. O. Stedman, D. D., T. D. Witherspoon, John Waddel, D. D., J. A. Lyon, D. D., and The thought and material of the ser- J. H. Gray, D. D. On motion of the Rev. Dr. Baird, the name of the Mod. erator was added to the committee.

The Rev. Dr. Brown, permanent clerk, read a letter from the Secretary their labors, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Voluntary

The Rev. Mr. Grasty was appointed in the place of the Rev. Mr. Miller as chairman of the Committee on Narrative-the latter gentlemen being unable to serve in consequence of indisposition. that rests on the church to secure and nown, and I believe my trial has been the "Form of Government" was again

THE NEW HYMN BOOK.

The Rev. Dr. Adger offered a resoluvision to incorporate as many hymns

The Rev. Mr. McKay, from the Com-

down for a consummate charlatan. If To effect this most desirable object, he is not a charlatan, he is certainly an the subject must be divested of all collateral issues. We must ignore minor He assumes looks, attitudes, and tones differences of opinion, give preconceivto suit the thoughts of his address. He ed notions and old-standing prejudices, plays a sermon as Booth would a trage- and in a spirit of generous concession, without the compromise of principle, adopt some broad, liberal and scriptural policy, which we ourselves can cordially embrace and conscientiously com-

imously believe, is clearly indicated in of the Church to the Freedmen: the modified plan for conducting docase as in the other.

resolutions, viz:

belongs the entire, absolute ecclesiastical ored; to encourage the organization of control of all candidates for the gospel Sabbath schools and Bible classes, and

2. Resolved, That when our young men are regularly received as candidates for congregations and all our freed people

the work of Beneficiary Education, to re ters who are not employed to give an ac- fore closing, also took occasion to aled, correspond with the Presbyteries and report annually to the General Assembly the condition, progress, prospects, &c., of the whole work of ministerial education.

en, to be elected annually by the Assemthousand dollars per annum.

7. Resolved, That the Assembly earnest.

do, in the Assembly.

ly and affectionately urge upon all our people and congregations, in their approaches to the throne of Divine grace. to remember the injunction of the Head of the Church. "Pray ye, the Lord of the harvest," that he would send forth laborers, and to adopt measures for the whole. of the American Bible Socity, asking the co-operation of the Assembly in the co-operation of the Assembly in subject and the wants of the Church. B. N. M'KAY, Chairman.

To the above Prof. Woodrow offered of Richmond, which was carried. a substitute in the shape of the following minority report:

1. Resolved, That the General Assembly reaffirms the deliverance of the Assembly of 1864, concerning the responsibility Unfinished business being in order, maitain a pious and learned ministry.

2. Resolved, That the General Assembly do resolve to continue the Executive do resolve to continue the Executive tee's report, viz: The form of government. Committee of Education, and appoint for ment, canons of discipline, and rules of yet suppressing the act for very obviit the following constitution:

Art. I. The title of this Committee shall be "The Executive Committee of Education of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, in the United

Art. II. The Executive Committee shall bers, three of whom at least shall be ruling elders in the Presbyterian Church; of a Treasurer, and of a Secretary, who shall be styled "the Secretary of Education," which Secretary shall be the organ of communication between the General Ascommunication between the General Ascommunication between the Executive Committee.

In view of the great controversy now pending in this country upon the spirituality and independence of the Church as ality and independence of the Church as ality and independence of the Lord Jesus Kentucky doctrine on Slavery—even

It is, in fact, merely apologetic, render- tion of business. It shall keep a record

But we present the extracts and leave "Look now into the glass and see how of the churches and Presbyteries to in- ies, and to dispense these to said stu- this country. Dear Brother Allen:—I beg the publica
The proper is a super control and man beginning to the s

occasional silly attempts at wit, con- itself to the favorable consideration of Art. VI. This Committee shall, for the present, be located at Richmond, Va The hour for devotional exercises having now arrived, the session was

closed with prayer and praise, and the Assembly adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY. Tuesday, Nov. 27th. The Assembly met at 9 o'clock' and

Frazier. The Rev. Dr. Baird presented the mend to our congregations and Presby- following minute, which was, on motion, adopted, as an addenda to the re-Such a policy, your committee unan- port of the Committee on the Relation

Resolved, By the General Assembly of mestic missions, already adopted by the the Presbyterian Church in the United Assembly. The reasons for the modi- States, that every Presbytery under the fication in reference to the work of mis- jurisdiction of this body, be enjoined to sions apply with increased force to the seek out and set apart a minister to the change of policy is no less essential act as superintendent of its vacant congregations wherever practicable. These to the success of the latter than of the superintendents shall be authorized to former, and it is imperious in the one act as moderators of the sessions of the vacant congregations; to preach the gos-Your committee, therefore, submit pel and administer the sacraments to take the pastoral supervision of the va-cant congregations, both white and colgregations among its ministerial members for the same object so that many

pensed with the most scrupulous impar- joined to require the sessions of the vacant congregations to come up to the dis-Resolved. That the Presbyteries must charge of their duties devolved on them decide upon the claims of candidates for in the twenty-first chapter of the "Form support and specify the amount they are of Government," in the assembling of entitled to receive, which shall be paid their respective congregations for the "The district to which Dr. Allen's in subject of admitting divergence of views, hunt this proper to a which through the and briar, and (if for apply has been settled about two selson meant in the treasury, and in order that this calculate the subject of additional and in order that this apply has been settled about two selson meant in the treasury, and in order that this calculates to the amount in the treasury, and in order that this quiries apply has been settled about two saken meantine by the spirit of love and right to be egotistic. He has the credit provided, however, that the sum so paid duty may be performed to the geater ac to any one candidate shall not exceed ceptance of the worshipers, it is further required that the Presbyteries do seek three hundred dollars per annum.
4. Resolved, That a Financial and Adout those elders who have the best gifts, visory Committee be and hereby is sub- and do especially licence and appoint stituted for the Executive Committee on them to the performance of these duties. Resolved, That our ministers who are 5. Resolved, That the functions of said not now engaged in their sacred calling and a half, and the sixth less than three for each family; while the generation now for each family; while the generation now with the derivative of the state of coming upon the stage is not doing so the confidence, or high places, of which, well so that "What a change" more light to the confidence, or high places, of which, well so that "What a change" more light to the confidence, or high places, of shode and fields of

al neglectors of their vows of ordination.

Resolved, That every Presbytery be enjoined to take this whole minute into consideration, and act upon it at its first | conformance with the constitution, he meeting after the rising of this General then repeated in a distinct and solemn

Unfinished business being in order, the "Form of Government" was again

The Rev. Dr. Adger moved that the report as adopted by the Assembly be placed in the hands of the Committee on Publication, and printed in the city

Dr. Hutchison moved that the expenses of the committee, since their appointment to the time of their reporting, be defrayed by the General Assem

bly, which was carried. parliamentary order be presented sep- ous strategetical reasons. arately to the Presbyteries for their adoption, which was carried.

The same likewise moved that the thanks of the General Assembly be tendered the committee for the careful subject only to the limitation that the hymn book shall not be made larger sembly, and shall consist of eleven memdischarged their labors, which was suppressed for similar reasons of strate-

of the abolition exegesis. Says this address:

Humphrey would say. We do not address:

Base and degrading as has been the solution of the abolition exegesis. Says this address:

Have been pure, not "mixed," as Dr. Humphrey would say. We do not know Brother Baker, but find it diffication, which mainly gives present in the salaries and duties of these officers the disease in accordance with the wishes which are its results. He crams and duties of the salaries and duties of the fact that the Assembly did at the time of those of the political emancipationists its organization in 1861 plant itself firmly in 1849, with the Semi-Deistical pro-Art. III. This Committee shall meet at upon the ground that the Church is a spiritual commonwealth distinct from and | nunciamento of Stanley Matthews; and independent of the State, be it, therefore, by affecting to believe that silly absuris far below his. At no price within human power to pay, can she arrive at equality of action in making or executing the government she is compelled to supting to mind the exchanation of the government she is compelled to supting to mind the exchanation of the document. And yet we are shut up to man power to pay, can she arrive at this conclusion, though it painfully benevolent pretence of administering to its wants, which is better to it than the reports of the Secretary and Teasurer, the inaction and consequent inefficiency of the committee, growing out of the underly appropriate, rendering to its wants, which is better to it than the reports of the Secretary and Teasurer, the inaction and consequent inefficiency of the committee, growing out of the underly appropriate, rendering to its wants, which is better to it than the reports of the Secretary and Teasurer, shall be laid before the General Assembly a paper defining and limiting this whole subject for the reports of the secretary and Teasurer, which is proceedings, which together with the reports of the Secretary and Teasurer, shall be laid before the General Assembly annually. Resolved, That the Rev. Messrs. T. E. Peck, A. W. Miller, and Geo. Howe, D. D. dity about "conserving slavery," which be appointed a committee to prepare and Dr. Hoge and other Southern men have sembly annually.

Art. IV. It shall be the duty of the instruction of our people, and suit
new Kentucky doctrine: ting of no law, however deeply her womanly interest or happiness may be involved, can she bear a part. She is found guilty, not of a crime, no

adopted, and, on motion, the Rev. Drs. exhibits, by extended citations of the ac-

sive report, which was received and spring of political fanaticism, that it is the mitted an elaborate and comprehen-

adopted. A number of overtures which had been docketed were called up by the Rev. Dr. Howe, and finally disposed of. The Green River (Cumperland) Synod The Rev. Dr. Howe offered the fol-

of Memphis for the generous hospitality that has been extended to the members that has been extended to the members and recommend our Presbyteries and recommend fast in the docof this body during our present session; to the churches of the city for opening their houses of worship for our use; to trine and spirit of the Gospel, and abound the gentlemen of the press for the favors in the spiritual work of the Church, not they have shown us, and to the several railroad companies and steamboats who railroad companies and steamboats who have offered facilities of travel to our respective homes; and the pastors of this your individual relation to it as citizens, ity are requested to make this known in such manner as they may deem most ap maintain its allegiance to Christ, really propriate.

Prof. Woodrow moved to amend by inserting after the words "to the gentle- North, the South, the East and the West, men of the press," the following; "especially to the gentlemen of the Daily Commercial and Argus," which amendment was adopted, and the resolutions as amended passed. was opened with prayer by Rev. Donald

moved an adjournment, when the Rev. spiritual, and in moving in the spiritual Dr. Brown proceeded to read the min- exercise of its spiritual functions, in its utes of the day, which were approved. own peaceful, holy atmosphere.

journed, the Rev. Moderator, A. H.

Rerr, D. D., arose, and with much feel-

ing, addressed the body. He said that when called on by them to preside, he the country. took the chair with much trepidation subject of ministerial education. A work of Evangelist for its boun is, and to and distrust in his ability to discharge pression of political ideas, but simply and the duties that were thus imposed upon directly declare our determination to him. Such however, had been the courteous and Christain bearing of the Assembly, both to himself and to one Assembly, both to himself and to one discourage are volutionary and schismatic another, that his duties had not only spirit; which we regret to see, even in the for the consideration and adoption of them at stated intervals; to counsel the been rendered light, but had been emi-small degree in which it has appeared in the General Assembly, the following sessions in holding social worship in the absence of ministers, and, in general, to the Providence of God, he had been some of the Presbyteries of two or three absence of ministers, and, in general, to the Providence of God, he had been Synods. And do hereby further declare a legislative character, and he had be-fore participated in the action of other fore participated in the action of other Assemblies, but he must take occasion sponsibility as Christian citizens. American families. The records in Low, that for some time among the atmosphere and the divinity, i. e. if "divinity" be identical with "gospel;" however I shall say no over your more deaths then births by the revelation of its sub-lime truths, he employs its scenery to see himself off to best advantage.

Saboath schools and blobe classes, at a true doctor divinitatis, or teacher of divinity, i. e. if "divinity" be identical with "gospel;" however I shall say no office the presentation of its sub-lime truths, he employs its scenery to see himself off to best advantage.

Assemblies, but he must take occasion to say that he had never before met with "gospel;" however I shall say no office the presentation of its sub-lime truths, he employs its scenery to see himself off to best advantage.

A Rumoured Ghost.—The Western with so great a degree of love, consider with so great a degree of love, consider with so great a degree of love, consider to say that he had never before met with so great a degree of love, consider with so great a degree of love, consider to say that he had never before met with so great a degree of love, consider with so great a degree of love, consider to say that he had never before met with so great a degree of love, consider to say that he had never before met with so great a degree of love, consider to say that he had never before met with so great a degree of love, consider to say that he had never before met with so great a degree of love, consider to say that he had never before met to say that ation and forbearance. The discus- Morning News reports a strange case of sions of the Assembly had been, in superstition. About three weeks ago many cases, pointed and earnest, but, there died the Rev. E. D. Rhodes, Vicar in no instance, were they pervaded with of Bathampton, two miles from Bath. the holy ministry, they shall be entitled to a cordial and liberal support, and the contributions of the Church shall be disrecognize the presence and grace of our Bathampton churchyard. The wit-Lord and the Great Head of our Church, nesses increased in number and postive-In conclusion, he said, "The churches ness of assertion, and the report obtainand citzens of Memphis have been pro- ing general currency, crowds of persons foundly impressed with your delibera- came over from Bath to verify it. tions; they have been gratfied with your testimony was abundantly confirmed, presence, and you depart with the as- and one old parishioner said that he had surance of their best wishes that you seen Mr. Rhodes with a crown of glory may in safety reach your respective round his head and a trumpet in his homes. Many of us who have assem- hand. The matter now becomes seribled here to-day will separate probably ous, and the aid of the police was asknever to meet again in the flesh. Let ed. Constables accordingly were sent me, then, admonish you, one and all, to over on Friday night. The ghost apacquit yourselves like men; to labor peared as usual, pale and ghastly, diligently in your spheres; to be faith- groaning and sighing. He was capturful to the crown rights of your Lord ed, and turned out to be a great white well as that. 'What a change,' moralizes the doctor, "as to the family now and in former times! Then large families were common—now it is the familes were common—now it is the family so the doctor, as to the family now and in former times! Then large families were common—now it is the family so that change, on might places, or high places, or high

ceive funds which may be placed in the hands of said committee for this cause, against those who are found to be habitustance during the session of the Asfellow-townsman, Rev. Robt. A. Holnounced by the Moderator as constitu
Metalman of New

The following gentlemen were announced by the Moderator as constitu
Assembly; that the Synods inquire into the fidelity of the Presbyteries; and that egated to me by the church, let this state of the short of ministerial education.

Assembly; that the Synods inquire into the fidelity of the Presbyteries; and that egated to me by the church, let this both Presbyteries and Synods give a re- General Assembly be dissolved, and I en, to be elected annually by the Assembly both Fresbyteries and Synous gift a the bly, and paid a salary not exceeding three port of what they have done or failed to do hereby dissolve it, and require ando, in the premises, to the next General other General Assembly, chosen in the same manner, to meet in the First Presbyterian Church, at Nashville, on the third Thursday of November, 1867, or whenever or wherever it may orderly be called."

After an appropriate prayer, the Moderator then pronounced the Apostolic benediction and declared the Assembly adjourned.

The Meeting at Lexington endorses the "Slavery Conserving" humbug also.

We have noted in another column the singularly disingenuous course of the late meeting at Lexington in enacting a formal surrender to the General Assm-The Rev. Dr. Cunningham moved bly-orders excluding Southern members from our churches and all-and

In the same report in the Pittsburg Banner, from which we extract elsewhere this act of surrender, we find a summary report of the narrative on the

The Rev. Dr. Palmer offered the folso completely exposed. Hear now the

Beecher titilates Brooklyn and bloats to the committee, her pride into unnatural size, and says: and the manifest reluctance on the part distraction of the purpose of aiding candidates for the ministry in the purpose of aiding candidates for the ministry in the purpose of aiding candidates for the branches of the Protestant Church in the subject of slavely as the slavely as the slavely as the slavely as the subject of slavely as the sla The resolution was unanimously work of the church in our bounds. It born citizen, a property holder, taxpayer, loyal and patriotic. She supports herself, and, in proportionable part, the colleges, universities, churches, poor houses, jails prisons, the army, the navy, the machinery of government; and yet she has no vote at the polls, no vote at the polls, no vote at the polls no vote at the polls, no vote at the polls no vote at t to last. It shows that the views of this mission of the church "to conserve and perpetuate" the system of African Slave-

> on the functions of the Church. Resolved, That crying up purity at the Resolved, That the thanks of the General Assembly be returned to the citizens and bitterness of spirit; therefore with a congregations to stand fast in the docsince in no other way can the Church strengthen herself, and bless the country which must be reconstructed upon the principles of the Gospel, alike in the

> Confession of Faith, the Church of Christ is a spiritual body, having spiritual life and power only, which is pure in propore The business of the session having been disposed of, the Rev. Dr. Baird life power of the Church consists in being

Resolved, That any mixture of the Church Before declaring the Assembly adwith political ideas, political parties, political platforms, and Constitutional amendments, demoralizes the church, corrupts society, and brings ruin upon

Resolved, That we hereby make no exabide by the action of the last General Assembly, believing it true and right, our immovable determination not to mix

We have before spoken rather in the way of pleasantry of the very remarkable reticence of the late so called Synod nizes an earnest desire on the part of the at Lexington, in the way of reporting its proceedings to the people of Ken- its peace and purity, in the exercise of tucky, who may be presumed to feel its constitutional power, of reproving, great interest in them. We promised error in doctrine or immorality in pracour readers to report their doings as tice,' and of suppressing schisms soon as we could glean the information, desire to do its duty in the premises in waiting for a full report in the Synod's the spirit of forbearance towards the organ here. But though promising a offending, so far as truth and principle full report last week, the public is put province to review and pass judgment off with some vague generalities, and upon the judicial proceedings of the Su gravely told that the minutes will not preme Tribunal from which there lies no be published in pamphlet form until to express our unabated confidence in the tative of a conspiracy which, though it he must be aware that on the 27th of after the meeting in July, 1867-that integrity of that high court, and our deis after the next General Assembly. But why they should not be published, as With us this obedience is not a matter usual, in their newspaper, these ecclesi- of choice; it is imposed upon us by the have been employed to sift it to the botastical sages do not condescend to ex-We had really supposed all along,

that the reason for this remarkable sibe known that, after all the gong-beating to call up a large assembly, and after they are made, as being an ordinance of their effrontery in charging Mr. Morrison's report with untruth, the meeting at Lexington was (with the addition of three men from Ebenezer Presbytery, just the same insignificant collection of "dead heads" both ministers and elders at Lexington that it was at Henderson. The report of Mr. Morrison, published in the minutes of our Synod as unmanly. at Henderson turns out to be substantially the roll of the meeting at Lexriously represent nobody, or impudently mis represent people who are as hostile to the doings of the General Asof people who go with the Lexington meeting is over rather than under the mark. What we had occasion recently to show concerning the reckless statistical statements of this party in reference to Louisville, seems to hold equally good of her Synod.

But we had not truly divined the reason of the reticence concerning the Lexington meeting. That reason was something far more serious than a mere desire not to let us "spy out the nakedness of the land." And it is one which may well lead many of our amiable and excellent friends whose consciences have been kept quiet, while "aiding and abetting" principles which they abbor, by the solemn asseverations of "middle men," that they reject the Assembly's tyranical decrees as thoroughly as the men of the Declaration and Testimony. We had flattered ourselves that now the division had been accomplished, we would at last be relieved from the unwelcome task of exposing the "strategy" of middle men-so unmanly, so cowardly, so specially unworthy Kentucky Christians; and that if now we were obliged to have controversy it would be in the open field. We profoundly regret to find that the "middle men" and "dead letter men" have not improved in this particular. "Strategy" seems to be an ineradicable propensity with them. against anybody-on the contrary, we us, at least to state the facts and warn tucky of the trap set for them.

ly heard the assurances, over and over, submission to the General Assembly that our middle men regard the action and enact before the people of Kentucky of the last Assembly as utterly uncon- a defiance of the General Assembly, by stitutional, and will refuse to execute way of keeping up their influence and its orders-will they believe that the popularity with the five-sixths of our minute, fully endorsing the acts of As- to persuade the people by fair and open sembly, and promising obedience to them'? And what is still more discreditable, submission to Pope Four-to-one. But their reports through the Kentucky organ; following the illustrious exam- elect, and lead them blindfold into the ple of a certain "Bureau of Military hands of the tyrants whom they are Justice," who for fear the perjuries resisting. would be exposed too soon for their due effect on the "Northern heart," suppressed them under pretence of danger to the lives of the witnesses. But whose trenchant blows fell so heavily fathomable mystery" about the Boston warnings of Laccoon. as the enterprising reporter of the Cin upon the head of His 'Holiness "Fourfrom the Presbyterian Banner:

The following is the resolution in full, tion.

our branch of the Church of God, commonly known as the Declaration and Testi the same notorious paper 'as a slander on the church, schismatical in its aim, and as an act of rebellion,' etc. These LOUISVILLE, KY., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1866, severe terms of censure meet the hearty approval of this body. They are discrim nating and just. The Assembly also What Does it Mean?—The Mysterious instituted judicial process against the signers of the said Declaration and Testimony, in a manner now so well known that it is needless to recite it here. In the measures adopted, this Synod recog-Assembly, to vindicate the character and authority of the church and to promote warning, or bearing testimony against contentions and disputations; and a like would permit. And while it is not our appeal, we deem it timely on this occasion termination as loyal sons of the church, to yield all due obedience to its decisions. lence, was their unwillingness to let it be received with reverence and submis- who were put in charge of the case by the sion, not only for their agreement with the word, but also for the power whereby

> God, appointed thereunto in his word." We are content to let this "suppressed testimony" speak for itself, so far as concerns the main question. We add, however, two or three remarks by way of showing those imperfectly informed on the subject, that this unmanly sur- fer him his life, his liberty, or any other render is as unreliable in its statements

1. The Synod of 1865 said nothing about a "violent and abusive attack." ington. And from the number of elders It kindly advised the Presbytery to on the roll of this meeting, who noto- revise the form of an action which was substantially admitted to be well taken. Either the Synod of 1865 did not consider the Declaration a "violent and sembly as we are, our judgment is that abusive attack," or the Synod failed most Mr. Morrison's estimate of the number egregiously to do its duty in dealing with the Presbytery under the lead of the very men who utter the above de-

2. How could Drs. Humphrey and W. L. Breckinridge express in November their hearty approval of the defamatory "severe terms of censure of the Assembly, and pronounce them "disof their own vote in the Synod of 1865, and unconstitutional character of these than the Apostles theory of retribution acts in the Assembly?

3. How can Drs. McKee, Humphrey, &c., &c., face the good people whom they have been assuring of their determination to treat the order of Assembly as a "dead letter," after thus solemnly determining to "yield obedience to the decisions of Assembly"? .4. And how do these gentlemen of

the middle party reconcile it with

straight forward, out-spoken, honest Kentucky Presbyterianism-after thus solemnly contravening their previous assurances, now to consent to the suppression of this minute till after the next General Assembly, to keep the people in ignorance of their position? They have a right to express their disapprobation of the Assembly if they would gladly let this new party go for- Testimony men if they please. But we ment at the chief point in this statement: ward in silence. But faithfulness as submit, they have no right as ministers public sentinels in the church obliges of the Church, to have one opinion to Will our people who have even recent- no right to enact in Synod a cowardly plice in the plot !'

"The Presbyterian's Minority Man." We observe that the "minority man"

Free Christian Commonwealth demned a violent and abusive attack upon we been more struck with the difference against light and knowledge involved in tors, before them again, naturally leads lack principle; or the public for which equally divided. The spirit that was in The Assembly of 1866 condemned and one who though well informed yet here we have a Boston editor who prob- arises simply from lack of principles; needful to appreciate either the genius es us much. How different from the rosh "minority man's" argument.

As they did not like to retain God in of envy, murder, debate, deceit malignity.

The Boston Advertiser of Nov. 24th, alluding to the reported arrest of Mr. H. Surratt, charged with complicity in the assassination of President Lincoln, remarks on the subject :

He stands as the only known represen last two years, though six or seven of its members have been arraigned and conanointed King of Zion. In our ordina tom, is to day wrapped in as dense and church should be governed by assemblies ages. The extent of the general ignogovernment, and studied it long and ther stakes his reputation on the shock ing and incredible accusation that the resent President of the United States was an accomplice in the plot. All the facts in the case are known to John Surrat, and to no other man who can be session the nation could well afford to ofprice which might be sufficient to secure which will shed the light of day upon the most difficult as well as the most intersting criminal mystery of our time Hitherto the policy of those entrusted with the matter has been to disdain all formation in elucidation of the problem rom those who alone were able to give it ndless silence of the grave, while our cords are defaced by the testimony of Conover. While John Surratt survives there is yet a chance to repair the evil which if he dies with his lips sealed, may e irretrievable.

Rightly enough does the Advertiser speak of this matter as "wrapped in judgment" to work out their envy, mur- you aid us? dense and unfathomable mystery." But der, malignity, &c., till they bring ruin the mystery lies not in the direction of upon themselves. the conspiracy against the life of Mr. Lincoln, which the vagaries of a theatrical madman are sufficient to account criminating and just,' &c., &c., in face for. Infernal machines, attempts upon the lives of rulers, Brutus-playing in and in face of Dr. Humphrey's denun- real life, are no such novelties in mod ciations of the "brutal spirit" of the ern history as to be very "dense Assembly in St. Louis, and Dr. Breck- and unfathomable mysteries. But it is inridge's demonstration of the reckless a mystery unfathomable on any other judgment, that a whole people who have learned to sneer at the "middle ages," duped by, and become particeps crimini sassination of the character of Southern men as extensive in its reach as it pursued more desperately than ever. was cowardly beyond all the precedents of the "middle ages." Is it not "a dense on the following not over modestly and East! Now whether these gentleand unfathomable mystery" that the editor's own statement of the case here much in the conduct of the assassins of please. They have a right to change who have pretended to investigate the We desire to bring no railing accusation their opinion if they please. They have matter and visit upon them the penala right to denounce the Declaration and ty due such a crime? Look for a mo-

1. Of the two "acute legal minds, employed to sift to the bottom-one express to one class of church members, still declares Jeff. Davis was chief conthe good Presbyterian people of Ken- and an opposite opinion to express to spirator, the other stakes his reputation others and in the Synod. They have that President Johnson was an accom-

Now conceive of an intelligent Boston ers for John Faust ?

editor's credulity that he is still mysti-

not discovered that this' writer has the assassinations while no doubt sneerproved anything that anybody ever dis- ing at his stupid credulity, or loathing by humbug the people. puted; or brought to light any fact that the assassin-hearted malignity of his has any force in the way of meeting the ecclesiastical apostates who use Conover's facile perjury.

3. And it adds again to the "dense and their knowledge, God gave them unfathomable" mystery of the Boston editor's mystification, that he should different grounds on which the private give utterance to such surprise, after sense and conscience, which Mr. Holt has had the effrontry to offer recently in a pretended defense of himself indulges in the following very singular against "the facile perjuries of Conover," his miserable tool. As the editor knows something of Conover's perjuries, was formed and culminated within the June, 1865, Judge Holt, holding the record of Conover's perjuries, in Monvicted, though the most acute legal minds treal, in his hand, made an elaborate attempt, by leading questions, to help tion vows we professed to receive as a unfathomable mistery as covers any sim. him out of his lies; made him swear part of the revealed will of God, that the | ilar plot in the dimness of the middle | that he had sworn in Montreal he had | whose decrees and determinations, if rance about it may well be guaged by the not been before the Bureau of Military Justice in Washington, because he had been carried before a British court by closely, one still declares that Jefferson a gang of desperadoes with a pistol at Davis was the chief conspirator, while the his head, and forced to swear it. And yet Mr. Holt dares say that not till two months after all this-in August 1865 -had he any reason to suspect Conover's veracity, and pretend that he has named; and with his person in our pos- better testimony—though it is that of Montgomery, Merrit, Hyams, Hutchin- still trouble the church. Has the church son, still more absurdly false. Now we , to obtain from his lips the information submit in view of such facts, which we could easily multiply indefinitely, that thereal mystery of this case, is the eredulity real or pretended, of the Boston editor and the Northern people. The real mystery is one which Jno. H. Surratt and Mrs. Surratt and the rest lie in the can do nothing towards solving. The apostle has solved it long ago in his cile perjurors like Montgomery and statement (Rom., 1: XXVI.) the method by which God punishes men-even a nies. whole people--when they set aside his eternal laws of justice and truth. He | most for two years, we are confident in gives them over to "the mind void of

The Exotic crying "Help me Cassius or

Isink. In his last number our Louisville cocomporary appeals to the faithful in Kentucky for help in an editorial statement adapted to the latitude and longitude of Kentucky, while from a private circular, which some one sends us a copy of, we perceive he makes an appeal on popular in Kentucky, to the "brethren of the East" to furnish him a thousand subscribers. All honest men had hoped, should have allowed themselves to be for the honor of Kentucky and for the honor of religion, that after an open with a set of conspirators, who took ad- rupture the dishonest Janus-faced stratvantage of the confusion created by a egy would be given up. But the course theatrical madman, to attempt an as- of the meeting at Lexington and of the "organ" shows that this policy is to be face of his Synod's "suppressed testimo-

The editorial appeal to Kentucky is stated ground .

More perhaps, than any other organ of should have not suggested to him that our Church, it is set for the defense of the and East it is for them to say, one or the mystery of the matter lies not so TRUTH against violent opposers and gain savers, who will neither teach the truth nor obey it. What we contend for is, the President Lincoln, as in that of those unity of the Church; the purity of its practice, and the soundness of its faith-in the sense that these are taught in the Stand ards of the Prespyterian Church Our brethren, especially of the Border

States, with singular unanimity agree that uch a paper ought to be maintained in this part of the Church-indeed, that it is an absolute necessity to our cause.

Now who may be these mulish "opthe unity of the Church its purity of practice &c. we are at a loss to determine. The unity of the Church and ten thousand dollars extra, raised chiefeditor gravely making this statement the purity of its practice as our readers ly at the North and East already, to of the point now at issue, viz: Whether well know has invariably been the plat- sustain him thus far, the editor is President Davis or President Johnson form of the Free Christian Commonwas assassin in chief of President Lin- wealth. For this we have earnestly the very existence of the true church meeting at Lexington passed a formal Presbyterian people. They have a right coln—and on the supposition that the labored, warning our too credulous and in the Border States, and demand another editor is in earnest, was there ever a confiding brethren against admitting thousand subscribers for two years from argument to go back and make their monk in the "middle ages" as absurdly into their ecclesiastical enclosures the the East—that is some five thousand credulous? Or can any man assign Danville "wooden horse" from which dollars more in order to reach the living they suppress this minute carefully in they have no right to pretend to act as any logical reason why the mind that now issue forth the reckless devastators point! Now just here we have some guides of the sacramental hosts of God's can accept either alternative, should of the Church in Kentucky. But so knowledge on the subject. The Free not, if occasion offered, believe that the far from standing with us on this plat- Christian Commonwealth has never had house of "our Lady of Loretto" flew form our exotic cotemporary has played, to be "lifted" by its friends in the way over the hill, or that devils with hoofs and even yet has the effrontery to play of even an extra one thousand, let alone and tails worked as journeymen print- the part of Sinon the "big pious" persuad- ten thousand. It has had to struggle 2. It only adds to the "dense and undesiring people to reject the faithful and the suppressions of the war-twice

cinnati Commercial prematurely got to-one," has ceased to make his appear- fied, notwithstanding he considers "the has been brought to a desperate strait, "organ" backed by an insignificant and hold of and published the perjuries, so ance in the Presbyterian. We more than records defaced by the testimony of facile if our exotic cotemporary is its chief uninfluential minority in the Border some enterprising correspondent of the suspect that the Philadelphia savans perjurers like Montgomery and Conover." defender. We cannot affirm it as of States. And that minority it has to di-Banner, at Pittsburg, anxious to get the found his strong meat rather more than For herein he evinces a self-respect, our personal knowledge, since we read vide again with its co-laborer at St Synod restored to favor among the they dared set before the babes which and a respect for the common sense and our neighbor only when our kind ex- Louis. And yet somehow it goes quietly faithful about Pittsburg, seems to have they are nursing and training to the conscience of the public far above the ploring committee reports the occur- on without getting up a crisis, or degotten hold of this minute of the Synod, doctrine of "implicit obedience." And level of the miserable ecclesiastical rence of a idea, in defence of truth or vising any double-faced platform or proand given it publicity. We ask our good aside from the argument which it is so drivellers who never scruple to repro- otherwise, or even a plain, honest state- viding even sewing machines-noisy for persuaded, by the assurances of Dr. the whole style of thought and speech when either their invention, their ma-McKee and others, to stand quiet and of the "minority man" was in so strik- lignity or their logic is at fault. Hith- there never been any other than the practice to get readers and money. We lend their influence and money to crush ing contrast with the general level of erto our theory had been that the prothe Southern brethren with whom they the Presbyterian that the editor found mulgation of the Conover and Hyams on the ramparts of the Church these that our cotemporary's statistics are relating to the action of the Assembly in Some other writer has been pressed retributive justice, inflicting "the mind scarce when two learned professors oc- "organ" which money cannot remedy. into service for the purpose of answer- void of judgment" in a more debased cupied the place before him, and when Either the paper must lack brains in the

between a well trained logical thinker, the apostasy of Presbyterians. But to the supposition that the lack of ideas it labors must lack the sort of sense the late General Assembly South, pleasseems utterly to lack the capacity to ably never had the opportunity, by rea- and, therefore, platitudinal as the "other or the principles of its editors. It is Louis! We are much pleased with the make any use of his knowledge to the son of the prevalence of infidelity in the organs of our church" have been for not for us to choose between these al- articles in the Presbyterian reviewing further development of truth. After Boston churches, to sin against the two years past, yet "more than any ternatives. six or seven mortal columns we have light of the Gospel, still mystified about other organ of our church" has this or-

> We are wandering however from the oculate the Border State churches with ones) have been found wanting by this point which we intended to fix public | their Jacobinism; nor his right to call "minority man." His articles are to be attention upon-that is, the Janus voiced character of the appeal of this Janusappeal of the circular is made to the the gross insult to the public common- "West and North." We present the to practice a pious fraud on one party or will resolve to unite with the New significant parts of this circular

Louisville, December, 1866. In the midst of the crisis which has come pon the Churches in Kentucky and Missouri this appeal is made to our brethren in the

1. It is become a necessity to the very tence of our churches in the Border States, maintain an organ in the bosom of these churches. This is the conviction of all our leading men. The Western Presbyterian was established and has been maintained on this account.

2. It is believed that whatever interest we have in the South-west; whatever por tion of the Presbyterian people there long to be restored to the church of their fathers, can be reached with more facility

from this point than any other. 3. Although our list of subscribers is about doubled since February last, (the time the present editor took charge of the paper) it is still not self sustaining. It has required a large outlay, from a few persons, to keep it up. We therefore ask our brethren to aid us by subscribing themelves and getting others to subscribe. We have a great work before us. Our cause in the Border States; the wants of the oyal South; the necessities of the Freedmen are to be maintained. Besides, great questions the right to enforce the duties of good citize ship, as against the fomentors of sedition and rebellion; to teach the moral and socio evils of slavery, as against the pro-slavery fanatics who hold the act of 1818 to be "virtually rescinded;" to vindicate the faith and order, and secure the peace and purity of the church, as against those who revile her good name, traduce her minis ters and yet claim the privilege to live upon its patrimony. Against all such op posers the Western Presbyterian will mainain the just authority of the church, according to her ancient faith and testimo-

If our brethren East would give us a thousand subscribers for one, or at the the acts of late Assemblies have about participate (?) And being tolerably well that time our paper will be fully sustaine in the West and South. Brethren will

HEMAN H. ALLEN,

Editor West. Presbyterian. 1. It will be perceived that after the fashion of the late meeting at Lexington, the editor has an exoteric platform for the 'silly sheep" in Kentucky that is utterly silent on the subject of the 'church's right to enforce the duties of citizenship and to teach against slavery; and an esoteric platform for the "advanced thought" of the Jacobins at the North and East which seeks to secure their sympathy and aid, by a bold avowal of concurrence in the outrages which in Kentucky they profess to oppose. Just while we write, a young friend tells us that Mr. Hogue at Lebanon last Sabbath occupied an hour in pretending to prove that this "enforcing the duties of citizenship" is all a "dead letter"-in ny" and "the organ's" private circular to the contrary sent forth to the North men are "raising the wind" under false pretence in Kentucky or at the North the other they are doing. 2. We find it very difficult to account

for this cry of distress, on the suppo-

sition that the statistics of "the organ'

are reliable. He has labored to show that the majority of the Presbyterians in Louisville are with him-that the majority of the churches in Kentucky and Missouri are with him-and that all the talent, piety, moral worth and posers and gainsayers" that war against influence in the ministry of these two Synods are with him. And yet with all this triumphant backing; and with some obliged to get up another crisis involving ing the alas too credulous and peace against the robberies, the oppressions, almost annihilating its subscription list. However this may be, surely the TRUTH It is, according to the statistics of the friends in Kentucky who have been much easier to silence than to answer, duce the "facile perjuries" of Conover ment of truth historically or otherwise baby-less families or noiseless for famisympathise, to ponder carefully the it needful to the reputation of his jour- lies from the Pittsburg Assembly and unshotted discharges or-speaking with- marvellously at fault, and that the ten several clauses of the following report nal to take from his readers the opportant the re-instruction of them by the ee- out a figure—this lack of ideas, would thousand dollars has been a poor in- policy. Thus supinely have we lain on their part for protection and eccletunity of making the invidious distinc- clesiastical scariboei of apostate Presby- be readily enough accounted for. But vestment for his Yankee friends, or else terianism was a higher degree of the the fact that the ideas were almost as that there is some fatal lack about the "In the Fall of 1865, this Synod con- ing the "minority man." Seldom have form of it, because of the greater sin the two not very learned or logical pas- judgment of its readers or, still worse, influence in this region, are about service of designing men. Cyrus.

3. We do not dispute the right of our light gan set itself to platitudinize and there- cotemporary to call upon his Yankee Weighed in either of these balances friends to support him in trying to in- many of the acts (all of the principal upon the Border State people to support | bound in pamphlet form by us, for more him in treating the Jacobin orders of the The entirely among our people. dispute his right to do both at the same our pastor reads them to us publicly. time. We do dispute his right not only Their points are palpable. the other, but also to compel us if we School. This will largely increase our would be faithful watchmen to be warn numbers here, by many coming to us ing Christian people against tricks that who are now deeply grieved at the dowould disgrace a respectable political ings of the Assembly, but who still have partizan, greatly to the scandal of re- "good old ways" in which our fathers

> ndence of the Free Christian Comm Sentiment in the Northwest. One of the most intelligent men of the

Northwest writes us as follows Dear Brother Davidson :- I ought to in peace to leave to our children our have written you long ago. Often have church as pure and as free as when we I thought of it, and just as often neg- received it. lected it till now. Inclosed ind the pay for two years for your journal, the only paper of the many I receive that I read through. How sadly "washy" most of our religious (?) periodicals are becoming; yours, I confess, is a noted exception to this sweeping charge. All must see that its columns are filled keenest kind, whatever they may think on all the churches to manifest their of its spirit and aim. For my part I do adherence to the General Assembly, by think the "aim" is in the main, just, and the "spirit" about such as the times demand. Our dear old Church is going be no Elder like-minded, commission to pieces! This many feel, and a few somebody, or "anybody" to go up to Synconfess-but only here and there do we find a man bold enough to use tongue or pen to prevent it. It is my solemn conviction that such editors as control the Presbyterian, of Philadelphia, or the N. W. Presbyterian, of Chicago, as well

as the Repertory, of Princeton, know that ruined us forever as a denomination; but a criminal timidity unnerves their arm and keeps them from rowing against an awfully morbid state of public sentiment, and gives them over to drift with it to ruin. As for Dr. Monfort, he is Allison have scarcely intellect enough they may do or say. One of the most learned and godly men in our churchone who has publicly said nothing as yet on the sad status of our church affairs, said, in a recent letter to me-"We as dark day,"-so thousands feel and fear. except that of Foreign Missions. No aged .- What! Spend \$1,200 to \$1,500 of churches in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, &c., to die out for want of support? Is this the way that Board is managed? It priation of the people's means,--this Presbyterianism.

Is no one to say aught against this, voice against this ruinous course, who 1-16, and tell me what you think.

For years we have adopted "the wait"

"Faith we'll use 'em." Parties, as to numbers, wealth and ing honest people are tolled into the

the doings of that Assembly, in the of the Constitution, law. Christian policy and common justice,

The articles in the COMMONWEALTH Assembly as a dead letter. But we do from "Pars Fui," amuse us greatly-

Our hope is that the next Assembly walked; and thus through you in Kentucky we may again be united to the Southern Presbyterians, and be one as of old. Oh, that the fanatical element in our church North could only be eliminated by "elective affinity," and we left

But what a long letter I have writte Excuse it-my heart is full. " Non tu cede malis. Sed, contra, audientio

G. W. S For the Free Christian Com

"One Church Responds."

Your readers have not forgotten the loud and urgent calls through the colweekly with sprightly originality of the umns of the Western Presbyterian, up, sending an Elder, if he was in the mimority in the Session; and should there od at Lexington, and make known how many there are who would adhere. They should head their papers hereafter,-"Endorse the Assembly," for we as a Synod adhere also. As a looker on during the sessions at Lexington, for unlike one of our brethren, I did not acquainted, I saw one, and only one church which responded to this unusual and unpresbyterian procedure. And as the facts in this case are too significant to escape the light, I present them through your columns. A paper was honestly wrong; and poor Allen and circulated through the Bethel congregation, headed, "We, the undersigned to make them blamable for anything request Mr. J-B- to go to Synod and represent this fact." The paper was duly presented, and the bearer was duly "propounded" for enrollment as a constituent member of the body. This was opposed and pronounced by Dr. W. L. a church, I fear, are in the dawn of a Breckinridge-all honor to him for it-In all the North our people are sad and His case was referred to the West Lexdispirited. Presbyterianism has lost its ington Presbytery. And now behold! vim. The spirit of benevolence is low. Referred to them for action, and then About one-half the people have Synod would act upon their action. The little sympathy with any of the Boards Presbytery considered the case, and resolved that the request of eight per-Presbyterian, of politically conservative sons to Mr. B. to represent to the Synod views, can in conscience support such their adherence to the General Asseman institution as the Board of Domes-bly, was equivalent to an election, and tic Missions, as it is at present man-as Mr. B. was an ordained, though not to propagate rank radicalism in Kenduly entitled to a seat. Presbytery enan acting Elder in that church, he was tucky or Missouri, and leave hundreds rolled his name; and directly after recess for dinner, a simple motion was made, and he was like wise enrolled as a member of Synod. And now Bethel seems so. Shame on such mal-appro- Church, where our Bro. Vanlear has preached nearly six years, and as I will too the Assembly winks at, nay, directs bear witness, without any "specs," has our Secretary of the Board to do! So suddenly been reduced to eight memall power is in the Assembly-Presby- bers. The pulpit is vacant. J. K. Lyle teries and Synods are nothing-it can is appointed to preach to this church. reach over these, take hold of a minis- Our grave suspicion is, that these good people have been duped, and were not ter, try him, acquit him, honor him, prepared for this leap from a simple disgrace him ad libitum. And this is request to indicate their adherence to Presbyterianism is it? No it is not; it the General Assembly, down or up, to is Assemblyism, it is tyranny, but not being the only true Israel according to the spirit at Bethel; that they little suspected, that under the cover of so simple, so frank and small a superscripbecause the majority approve it? Oh, tion, as "we the undersigned adhere to for some bold Ezekiel to lift up his the General Assembly," their own pastor should be insulted by the intrusion of another minister, unasked, to his pulpit. will "prophecy against these false Yea more, how many of the eight have prophets!" Surely "they follow their ever thought that this is an endorseown spirit" or passion in doing as they ment of Secretary Janeway's slander, do. "Like foxes," too many of us have that their own pastor "has been tramp failed to "go up into these breaches" ling upon the interests of land the souls," and who, willing thus to see made in our Zion's walls, and there him branded, in the coming of one posfought and fell (as Drs. Robinson, and sessed of so little delicacy, and so desti-Wilson and others have done,) in the tute of any jealousy for the good name defense of truth and righteousness. of a brother in Christ, as himself to accept The people are being "seduced."-The a commission and pay from a Board of cry of "peace, peace," has been heard Missions, who believes, and publicly when "there can be no peace," so long as says through its Secretary, that this this wicked radicalism rules the days young pastor, whose pulpits he appro One Assembly may build the wall, an- priates, and all like him, "are imperilother may daub it with untempered ling the hopes and trampling upon the mortar, and some editors may try to interests of immortal souls. The Preskeep it daubed, but it will fall. It is illy byterian people of God should look and built-the material is bad, the work- beware how they subscribe their names manship worse. God will rend it-its to documents in these times. One of foundation is sand--passion is not the best of these eight at Bethel, we principle. The love of party is not the have been told, not only manifested love of God. But read Ezekiel, xiii., surprise, but strenuously denied that this commissioner would ever be enroll-Dr. Robinson, however, has spoken. ed as a delegate to Synod. Yet it so Ezekiel-like he has been bold and severe. happens that he was not only enrolled May he have the gift of continuance. I as a member of Synod, but of Presbyteconfess that many of us in this region ry also; and it also so happens that this are ashamed that we have so long stood simple request that he should make aloof, far out of harm's way, and let you known their adherence to the General dear brethren, in Kentucky and Mis- Assembly was considered as his election, souri, fight alone as you are doing. and it also so happens that this reques was construed as a voluntary uprising our backs till our enemies have almost siastical existence, and hence they were bound us hand and foot; but, thank God, recognized as the true Church at Bethel. our pens and tongues are yet free, and See how nicely, how adroitly the game is played, and how innocent, un uspectat a proper reduction on the above rates. All communications touching the paper, whether business or otherwise-addressed to

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THE MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEM BLY AT MEMPHIS.-We finish this week the reports of the proceedings of the General Assembly at Memphis; and although our reports are only a brief abstract of themselves denounced as usurpation. what was done by that body-yet we have published enough to show that there is yet much vitality and true Presbyteri- | Confederacy. But that old record will anism in the South, and that the brethren in that region are very much in earnest in the work of their Divine Master, and allow Cæsar to manage his own affairs.

We are indebted, in the making up of byterianism. our reports, to the secular papers of Mem. phis, which published very full reports from day to day. We are specially indebted to Mr. H. Wade, of Memphis, for furnishing us with these daily reports.

doubt not our readers will thank us for it. The occasion, the character of the preacher, and the intrinsic merit of the sermon itself entitles it to this distinctinction.

THE MINUTES OF SYNOD - After a much longer delay than was anticipated been issued in beautiful style, and the work of distribution has been vigorously begun. According to the order of Synod the Minutes will be circulated freely outside our own bounds, that our brethren in all sections of the Church may see just of the extent of this disease of slander what was done and how it was done. We here in the North-but where shall I ask the special attention of our friends everywhere to this pamphlet. It will well repay a perusal, and will be well worth preserving as a part of the ecclesiastical history of these extraordinary

The large number of copies of the pastoral address printed also, separately from the Minutes, will be forwarded by mail said: 'There is a paper in circulation in bundles for distribution among our people. We would advise our friends to keep this little four-page tract at home, for reference when they are puzzled by history makers, who have gone out from sleep in my own house.' I attempted supply of grain there will not last over

gence of the death, from pneumonia, of course. I asked what course he meant, Rev. E. D. McMaster, D. D.

MR. A. DAVIDSON'S BOOKSTORE. - We would call the attention of our readers to rectly addressed a note to him, asking buy, and to be given to the poor who Mr. Davidson's stock of Books, and es- him where he had seen that paper, cannot buy. pecially his Books for the Holidays. He whose names were upon it, and where I keeps on hand a large supply of books for could find it. His answer was, 'You the young, and a much better selection than is commonly found in the book-

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Interesting meetting at Springfield.

A private letter from Rev. M. Saunders says :--

Brother Barnes left us last Thursday, after preaching for us just a week. We had such a meeting as we have not been blessed with for a long time before. God's people were truly revived. Eight or ten persons were converted, seven of

A young lawyer who listened to him throughout, aptly characterized Brother Barnes' preaching as "the Gospel sixteen ounces to the pound."

We are sorry to learn that the Rev. L. blows because of his howling.' J. Halsey, D. D., Professor in the Theological Seminary at Chicago, is suffering from bronchial affection, so much so, that he is unable to perform his regular duties in the Seminary.

Rev. D. Coulter has removed from Columbia, Mo., to Liberty Mo. Correspondents will please address him at the latter

present at the recent meeting of the so-the creek. The Zion and Bethel Black is expected that he will accept. following paragraphs:

3 00 Danville in reference to the General As. South. If we properly carry into execution

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Advertisements exceeding one square, will be charged quently said, if we held the views or members of our Church. talked as did this new D. D. nobody could tell what the General Assembly would do with us. The truth is, we must make a new record and blot out the past!

This is candid and outspoken; and in this view, every way more creditable than the treacherous soft speeches of Dr. Breckinridge's allies, the middle men. And we doubt not that the day is speedily coming when, notwithstanding all the curses heaped upon his head, and the just indignation at his open treachurch, he will be held in far less dis-

to their strategy. ation and Testimony men. Alas their "securities" are to be blotted out, and become worthless as so much Confederate currency!

But in our humble judgment, Dr. B. and his new Synod will hardly be able honest to take none, but let our readers to blot out the past. They, will indeed make a new record. They have already made a new and very discreditable record of humble submission to what they They have surrendered. Danvillism is a "lost cause" -- has gone the way of the stand as a memorial to all coming time of the weakness and untrustworthiness of a compromising double-faced Pres-

How Radicalism silences witnesses in the North.

In a private letter to us, Rev. C. C. Bomberger of Ohio, after commenting on the attempt to destroy our influence MR. LEFEVRE'S SERMON.—We devote our | by every sort of malignant defamation, fourth page to this discourse; and we makes the following remarkable statement. Some of our readers, last week, were incredulous as to the statements of our correspondent "Penn," in reference tents are as follows, viz: 1. Kaye's History to the Synod of Pittsburg, though he is of the Sepoy War. 2. Varieties of History one of the most reliable men in the Church. Such readers will see from -though printers now a days will take Mr. Bomberger's statement, that noththeir time—the Minutes of Synod have ing restrains these unprincipled fanatics Elizabeth. 8. Antique Gems. 9. The Milifrom kindling anew the auto de fe but tary Growth of Prussia. their fears. As to any conscience, they

know of no such thing : "I would like you to know something begin. The relating the wrongs of others may give offence to the injured to relate my own; but this is the safest, no hesitation in pronouncing this the best as I mean to give names and hold my-

self responsible. At a meeting of Synod at Zanesville, Rev. John Robinson called me out and signed by twenty men charging you with slandering the soldiers and afterwards to show him the falsehood of all these statements. He bid me stop, saying he DEATH OF E. D. McMaster, D. D.—The | did not enquire whether these things he said, 'the course that has brought on this state of things.' Then he left me, giving me no chance for defence. I diare not to know, neither need you try -my letters came back to me refused to P. M. Semple, a former acquaintance, contributing through Mr. Lindsay. he answered my greeting with, 'Well

for such fellows as you.' late such moral aberrations. I have and wealthy men to respond immediatemet them the past four years almost ly to this appeal? Nay are there not every time I have met my brethren in the ministry. Nor is this confined to many noble hearted people in Indiana stock of Holiday Books, including a great vathe ministry. Our religious editors and Illinois, within shipping distance riety of whom have made connection with the have caught the infection badly. The of Louisville, who will most cheerfully Standard Works. Presbyterian Banner twice misrepre- send of their abundance to their suffersented and wronged me. I have written ing brethren? three letters to obtain correction. The editors think to cover all up by treating

old traitor, we have a place in the canal

tucky, says:

dition. There are three distinct parties in the field who wish to proselyte them, and if not to "glory in their flesh," at the people alive till another harvest.

Free Christian Commonwealth "Blot out the past Record of Kentucky." least to glory in the number of their A very intelligent reporter who was names. Their old friends, the Baptists, called Synod in Lexington, sends us the Methodist Churches each claim them, and the great Methodist Episcopal Church of the North is making mighty efforts to Dr. McKee in support of his opposition obtain permission to count their names. Several congregations have changed their had the Constitutional right under visa. Church relations two or three times, and torial powers to do so; but what was even Constitutional was not always expedient or wise. As for example Synod's action at ship of the Methodist Episcopal Church, sembly's deliverance on slavery.

Dr. R. J. Breckinridge said nobody talked that way here, or held those views will finally settle down in the happy en-

REVIEWS.

THE OPFNING OF THE FIFTH SEAL-Funeral Discourse on the death of Rev. SAML. S. HEADLEE, delivered before the St. Louis Conference, Sept. 25, 1866. By Rev. W. M. PROTTSMAN. St. Louis. P. M. Pinkard, Printer, No. 510, Pine st.

Springfield district, in Mo., who meekly fell a martyr, murdered in cold blood, a son to the interests of his section of the of Missouri, and especially those who few months since, to the eternal digrace pretend to represent and administer law respect than the slippery celestials who there. This discourse of Rev. Mr. Prottshave whispered their soft curses on his man, published for the benefit of the head for his refusal to be made a party martyr's family, is, in our judgment, the finest specimen of a funeral oration we But this bold avowal of the new pro- have seen for many a day. There are gramme will startle not a few credulous passages in it on the Spiritual Indepenpeople in Kentucky who have been bearing witness for that truth, even to the pointed to the past record of the Synod death, which we feel sure, if we had heard of Kentucky as the guarantee that their them come forth all aglow from the lips middle ground leaders were sternly op- of the living orator, we should have "holposed to the unconstitutional acts and lered in meetin," Presbyterian as we the usurpations of the Assembly, and are. As we have read page after page of Presbyterian Herald. This should not would in the end resist them just as stout- this manly and noble discourse, we have be. Let those old debts be promptly paid, ly and more efficiently than the Declar- felt an irresistible desire to clip out this passage and that for our readers. But an church at Tipton, Iowa. published as it is for the benefit of the martyr's family, we feel restrained from

> send Mr. Pinckard 25 cents and get it. We would suggest to Mr. Pinckard, or whoever edits the sermon, that the value of the pamphlet would be greatly inreased, if there were stitched in with it a short four page tract, relating the sim- | new views. ple story of Mr. Headlee's martyrdom, as we had it in some of the St. Louis papers at the time of his death. We are anxious to see such histories of the malignant And besides, many persons who may not have seen the account of the martyrdom, will read the sermon with far more interest, with the facts that called for it

extracting more than a paragraph or two,

and there are so many which we would

fully before them. We can but express our gratitude to ters in Missouri at this trying time, as Rev. Mr. Prottsman.

THE EDINBURGH REVIEW-for October has been laid upon our table. Its con. and Art. 3. International Coinage. 4. Napoleon's Julius Cæsar. 5. Felix Holt, the Radical. 6. Strauss, Renan and "Ecce Homo." 7. Froude's Reign of

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THE RICHMOND ECLECTIC FOR DECEMBER. -We have had time to read somewhat hastily the second number of this Magazine. We feel really obliged to the Edn making their sufferings more public itors for so fine a collection of most interthan they wish. It is very unpleasant esting and valuable articles. We have monthly which comes in our way.

> Relief for the Famine Stricken District in South Carolina.

We have received a call just as we go to press from Rev. J. O. Lindsay, a publicly lying out of it.' 'He had heard Presbyterian minister from Abbeville I had acted so badly that I dared not District S. C., who informs us that the three weeks longer, and that corn is held at present in the hands of specu-Presbyter of the 12th publishes a dispatch | were true or false, he was appointed by lators at three dollars per bushel. He from (hicago, conveying the sad intelli- his brethren to admonish me to change my proposes to gather such contributions of grain and of funds to buy grain as he can and ship to his neighborhood, to be sold at a moderate price to such as can

Mr. Lindsay comes recommended in the highest terms as a man of integrity, to find out-the more humbly you bear a gentleman and a minister of the purest this the better for you.' To this he character, by our old friend Dr. Adger, added a whole batch of new slanders he by Gov. Orr, by Hon. S. M. Gowan, M. said he had heard. I demanded justice C. elect, and by all the public men of to be taken out. The same day that his District. No one therefore need Robinson called me out at Zanesville, have the least apprehension that his be-I crossed the Synod chamber to speak neficence will not be rightly directed in

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The First Church of Walnut Hills Ohio To Ministers of the Gospel. have given a unanimous call to Rev. Moses Hoge to become their pastor. It

The Rev. J. N. Lewis has removed from Cahaba, Alabama, to Milton, Florida, where he will minister to the Presbyterian church.

The two branches of the Presbyterian Traill's Works, 2 vols., half calf. church at Manchester, O., are about to Howe's Works, 3 vols.. effect a union under the pastoral care of Rev. Wm. Coleman, (O.S.)

Rev. Mr. Bardwell, of Tombigbee Presbytery, has been elected pastor of the Presbyterian church in Vicksburg, Misser, 8 vols...

Whitby on the New Testament, 2 vols., sissippi, and it is confidently hoped he will accept.

The Rev. John W. Neil has signified Witsius on the Covenants, 3 vols., calf... at Murfreesboro, Tenn. The congregation are worsipping, for the present, in the Courthouse, their church edifice having been burned during the war.

The Rev. A. P. Smith, of Dallas county, Ala., has received an invitation, which he will probably accept, to supply the church at Aberdeen, Mississippi Our readers will remember Rev. Saml. S. Headlee, as the Presiding Elder of the

Gallatin, Miss., to Mobile, Alabama, iel iel Hengstenberg on Ecclesieastes... dress him.

Died, December 1, in Oxford, O., after protracted and painful illness, Rev. L. Leake of Terre Haute, Ind., in the 7th year of his age and the 49th of his

A late number of the Pacific says:-The ssion of the First Presbyterian church of San Francisco, has lately received a dispatch from Frederick Billings, saying accepted the call extended to him a few weeks since and would leave for San Francisco by Jan. 1st, 1867, or earlier.

The Presbytery of Hudson met on Tuesday, November 20th, in the church of Florida, and installed the Rev. Henry Harlow as pastor thereof.

On November 28th Rev. D. L. Hughes was installed pastor of the Presbyteri-

The Rev. J. W. Morrow writes to the Trenton Gazette, that since the fifth Sab bath in April last, in the counties of Gibson, Dwyer and Obion Tennessee, there have been six hundred professions of reselect if we began, that we think it most ligion at meetings held by members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Rev Henry A. Sawtelle, of the Second Baptist church, San Francisco, Cal., has resigned the pastorate, because he no longer regards baptism as a prerequisite longer regards baptism as a prerequisite the extensive Book and Job Printing House of to communion, and has published a pamphlet of some 70 pages in advocacy of his under the firm name of

The Rev. G. W. Northrup, D. D., of the At the Old Stand of Hanna & Duncan, S. E Rochester Theological Seminary, has accepted an invitation to the chair of Sys-November 6th, 1866. tematic Theology in the new Baptist Theological Seminary at Chicago. The Trus fanaticism of our times preserved as a tees of the Seminary have elected Rev warning to the church and the country. B. John Jackson, of Albion, N. Y., to the chair of Ecclesiastical History

The Negro. - According to the N. Y. Herald, a colored man, in a recent lecture at the Cooper Institute of that city, maintained that "the negroes are the decendants of the lost ten tribes of Israel, and that from among the colored population Life and Campaigns of Lieut. Gen. Thom God that there are such Methodist minis-tons in Missouri at this trying time as

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In Midway, Ky., at the residence of the bride'

mother, on the 4th inst., by the Rev. W. Geerge, Dr. Wm. T. Hord. U. S. N., and Miss Ella V. Harris, second daughter of the late Major Ar-

In Jessamine county, Ky., on the 29th ult., by Rev. G. H. Rout, Mr. James Hutchinson and Miss Melvina T. Mahan.

By the same on the 4th inst., in Woodford county, M. S. McGinnis and Miss Belle Sub-

In Nashville, Tenn., at the "Commercial Hotel," Nov. 28th, by Rev. R. F. Bunting, James N. Bradshaw, of the firm of Cowan, Bradshaw & Co., and Miss KITTIE ROWZEE, both By the same, in Springfield, Tenn., at the

residence of Col. E. S. Cheatham, Dec. 4th, Mr. Edgar Jones, Cashier of Third National Bank, Nashville, and Miss Susie S. Cheatham, B. E. L. E. WOOD FEMALE

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Heb., XII: 28.-" Receiving a Kingdom which

The text is part of an inference from the immediately preceding context, which is composed of a prophesy from Haggai and Paul's exposition of that that God has shaken once more and for the last time the institutions which He has given His people, and has introduced those which cannot be shaken -seeing that we have received this IM-MOVABLE kingdom, with emphasis on the word immovable, "let us have grace,

The old "heavens and earth" of the institutions which God gave his people by the hand of Moses were yet tottering and reeling-passing away with a great noise-before the incoming "kingdom that cannot be moved;" and the Hebrew Christians were in the very act of receiving the immovable kingdom, when Paul gave forth this summons. The Divine convulsion soon after rolled along its last wave, and buried everything that could be moved beyond the possibility of resurrection; and now, in the place thus made vacant, stands the Christian Church, containing in her constitution all that was immovable in the Church of the past ages, with a list received: therefore, let us too seek to have and to hold fast grace, whereby we, in the use of these immovable institutions, "may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear."

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theme. 1. The first element, therefore, in the case be subject to change. All these pensation. Hence we see everywhere follower to hold himself ready to make | Presbyterian - one that has the law these and all other sacrifices-yea, to written on his heart as well as in his make them with joy-at His word. Mo- book. ses and David and Aaron, with their cessors, and the real authority over cannot be moved."

2. The second element in the constidelivered to her a perfect and complete rule of faith and practice in the Holy Scriptures. This is so intimately connected with the foregoing that it is difficult to separate the two in treatment. Jesus Christ, as the everlasting Thean-Church has completed the revelation of very process of adding to an incomplete revelation that caused previous "shakings" and change. But now there is nothing to be added. "The whole counsel of God is set down in Scripture, 3 * * unto which nothing at any time is to be added, whether by new revelations of the Spirit or traditions of men. "The Supreme Judge, by whom all controversies of religion are to be determined, and all decrees of councils opinions of ancient writers, doctrines of men, and private spirits, are to be examined, and in whose sentence we are to rest, can be no other than the Holy Spirit speaking in the Scripture."-[Conf. of Faith, ch. I.] Now, it is easy to see, that while God was speaking "at sundry times and in divers manners through the prophets," that is, whilst he was adding to previous revelations, that there must be change in the constitution of Commonwealth." the Church. She must adapt herself to the faller revelation; and at great epochs in those communications there must needs be the most thorough change, "beside it," lays a broad foundation for ecclesiastical inferior to and the servant Theanthropic king is always the same. It was set back. Indeed the sin of members. She cannot legislate, where immediately hate you.

or progress in the law and principles of the Church, like the progress of hu-THE IMMOVABLE KINGDOM.

The iman science, is allowable or conceivable.

The set three hypotheses exhaust the man science, is allowable or conceivable.

The first, the papal theory, confident is always and all the conditions which make the progression of the state as only one phase. in Baltimore, at the organization of the Patapseo.

The whole nation being given Her to be always and all the conditions which make the same. The matters that He has schism a possibility. How can you despoken word—and that Son is now "set of the Church. The whole nation being given Her to be added to the conditions which make the same. The matters that He has schism a possibility. How can you despoke the conditions which make the same of the conditions which make the same. The matters that He has schism a possibility. How can you despoke the conditions which make the same of the conditions which make the conditio bigh." The Kingdom is so far forth Church universal, the civil organization and embodies without is always the in the germ, and then diffused itself spoke, when this last convulsion ceased, for special subordinate ends, and is No man, no body of men, no angel from gathering-up and concentration of the last convulsion ceased, for special subordinate ends, and is No man, no body of men, no angel from gathering-up and concentration of the last convulsion ceased, for special subordinate ends, and is No man, no body of men, no angel from gathering-up and concentration of the last convulsion ceased, last convulsion ceased convu is the voice in which she speaks to the responsible to the Church for the exer- heaven, can alter aught that the Lord power of the whole into the highest in the days of Christ and his apostles, is end of time. Her law, that is the in- cise of all its authority." prophesy: The meaning is: Seeing forming life of Her whole being, abides The second, the Erastian theory, is word spoken by Him," without "viola- "the immovable kingdom"—that is the nounce the relation itself as sinful, as

and hath left it free from the doctrine and commandments of men, which are in anything contrary to His word; or in anything contrary to His word; or door to American Christians—the in anything contrary to His word and Spirit of God, inexorably call upon it to change or dissolve. Every in the civil government.

The third theory—the one which we exhibit its grandeur to the admiration of all beholders.

of heart as unto Christ, are facts which meet the eye of every reader of the New Testament.

Testament.

"Resolved, 1. That the General Assemand hath left it free from the doctrine to the civil government.

disturbing element. It is the attempt lot. to say-[Form of Gov't, ch. I,]-"In the persons of other citizens. perfect consistency with the above prin-

mission into its communion: * * * | vable amid all the continually recurring they may, notwithstanding, err in ma. ehanges of civil institutions and the infringe upon the liberty or the rights of ecumenical, the Kingdom of God must of their own."

to testify according to his own private that the Jews refused to accept Him as constitution of the Church of God un- under bonds. No new and sudden de- would have no court, no army, no realm, der the Gospel dispensation, to which liverance of doctrine or order may be they could not understand. They wished we call your attention as manifesting its made by any ecclesiastical authority, immovability, is the fact that Jesus binding its constituents beyond the cally procured His crucifixion on the Christ, the God-man, is her only King original compact. As our standards charge that his royal claims were danand Law giver. The Church owes loy- faithfully interpret "the perfect rule," gerous to Cæsar's authority. But their alty only to Him. He is the sole King every member is secured in the right real objection to Him-that objecin Zion. There are no intermediate to hold and testify his own particular tion which lifted opposition into matig precisely, in which He is her Priest. As firm are the foundations of our Zion. of tribute money was brought to him long as the constitution of the Church | If a fellow Christian does not agree with and he was asked whether God's people made." They were forever removed in ment in all things. If he does agree with before Him, and He was asked to prothe great change when God took away us in these terms and voluntarily binds nounce judgment. But He sternly rethe Old and established the New dis- himself to them, we are bound by the same fused to handle or intermeddle with charter cordially to give and secure to such questions. He was a King indeed in the Gospels Christ's claims to an un- him the right to hold and testify on all and swayed a sceptre over a Kingdom, bounded royalty. No historical person other points according to his private but He refused all the functions of an ever put forth so amazing claims or de- judgment. The very essence of immo- ordinary king. A king that would not manded so unqualified obedience. The vability pervades this law. With a assert the independence of his realm tie which binds husband and wife, pa- God-like power it constructs a stable against a tribute-demanding and foreign rent and child, yea, body and soul, mnst and harmonious whole, like the celes- sovereign, that would not judge Israel snap like tow touched by fire, when it tial systems that shine in the firmacomes into competition with Christ's ment of heaven. In fact, the sin of expressly declared that such functions claims of unbounded allegiance and ab- schism, in the scriptural sense of that were not included in his royal claims solute obedience. He requires every word, cannot be committed by a true and commission, a king that utterly re-

4. In the fourth place we remark long lines of human and temporary suc- that another attribute of the Christian Church which illustrates its immovabil-God's house, with which their typical ity, is it spirituality. It is not a kingrelation to Christ invested them, have | dom of this world. It is a Spiritual come to a perpetual end and a perpetual kingdom. Before the introduction of sible phenomenon to all those whose Head in the Divine and Eternal Son of "the immovable kingdom" God gave souls are set upon the changing things God, who is the sole King in Zion. The His people a civil as well as an eccles- that "are temporal and visible." Inde kingdom is so far forth immovable, in | iastical constitution. The civil consti- pendence and subjection, resistance and that it has an ever-living King "that tution furnished, so to speak, the plat- submission, de jure titles and de facto ards: "The constitution of the Presby- position on this point, also assumed the tution of the Christian Church, which to His people of old. But it is easy to see, and therefore the church ought to take we bring to your notice as illustrating that so long as Church and State remain cognizance, say they, of all such quesits immobility, is the fact that Jesus united in any relation—so long one in- tions on their moral side at least. Christ, her King and Law-giver, has terpenetrates the other—the ecclesiasti- so thought Christ. Not so says the im-Church is united to any institution which one ordinance, and forbids them to the thropic King and Law-giver of the belongs to the category of "the things other. that are made," or the works of the crea- The morality of all these matters, to-God's will to His people. It was the ture, then she must change with them. gether with their expediency and con-When they are shaken She totters; when stitutionality, are referred by God to they are overthrown, She falls. And the authorities of the movable kingdom. such was Her history "until Shiloh And even where the offence against the came." But in the last and greatest of civil and the ecclesiastical power is the the Divine upheavals, the last element same in its subject matter, -for instance, of cleaving changeability was shaken theft, or uncleanness, or violence.-it from His Church's loins, and She rose comes before the different authorities from Her chrysalis wrappings, THE IM- under a different aspect and is judged MOVABLE KINGDOM. And this, taken by a different law and is visited with a unchangeable individual responsibility, may condemn and the Church acquit.

feature of the kingdom of God some- and requirements; the qualifications of be shaken remain. The exercise of the what more at large. There are and only its members and its officers; in short, Scriptural power of the whole over the can be three theories of the relation of every feature of its institutions, is im- power of every part may cease by the amounting to the removal of the Old the Church to the State, to wit: 1st, movable, incapable of increase or di- apostasy or the dissolution of the higher bly of '45 declared on this same subject: and the introduction of the New. But | that which makes the ecclesiastical pow- minution, alteration or abolition; and courts, but still the power of the whole a finished revelation, which allows er superior to and the master of the in this the very essence of Her immo- survives in every part and takes up the body, whose jurisdiction extends to the nothing to be added and nothing civil power; 2d, that which makes the bility as a Divine whole, consists. Her development at the very point to which religious faith and moral conduct of her

ree Christian Commonwealth an immovable constitution. No change of the civil power; and 3d, that which The Word that He has given Her is schism, in the ecclesiastical sense of that Christ has not legislated, nor make terms down at the right hand of Majesty on in all its members a portion of the same. The life that He works within ing that life which at the first lay wholly the Church of Christ? immovable in that the voice which she is comprehended within the Church same. She is "the immovable kingdom." throughout the branches? It is the

perpetually just as the last "shaking" precisely the opposite of the other. "It ting the constitution of the church and fruitful mother of schisms; and the inconsistent with Christianity; that slaveregards the Church as only one phase of usurping the prerogative of Christ," - guilt lies at the door of those that do holders were admitted to membership 3. In the third place we remark that the State." The Church, being in all a heinous and fearful offence, over which the deed. You may indeed construct in the churches organized by the apostle 3. In the third place we remark that the State. The Church, being in an a helious and learnth offence, over which another attribute of Christianity, which its members a portion of the nation, the late indeed has no jurisdiction, but outward visible unity on this principle that whilst they were required to treat their slaves with kindness, and as rationmanifests its immovability, is that it ecclesiastical organization is compre- of which the Church is bound to take of concentration of power, but it is a al, accountable, immortal beings, and if proclaims to every one the right of private hended within the civil, and is respon- cognizance; for Herall-including obliga- unity without value and without life. Christians, as brethren in the Lord, they udgment, and holds every soul accounta- sible to the State for the exercise of all tion is to be "the pillar and the ground It may be shaken and removed, for it were not commanded to emancipate them; le for its exercise. It forbids coercion. its authority. This is realy the old of the truth," which Her King has giv- belongs to the works of the creature. that slaves were required to be 'obedient

beside it in matters of faith and wor- so dear to American Christians-the of all beholders. ship: and therefore the rights of pri- one to which every true Presbyterian

Now, it is patent in self-evidencing * is entitled to declare the terms of ad- church to remain unshaken and immo-

in civil and military affairs, a king that fused all armies and all force, was not the Messiah whom they would have; and therefore they hated and murdered

Him "that was born King of the Jews." And this precisely is the grand difficulty in the world's mind in reference to the nature of the church—a difficulty that makes the church an incomprehenform on which God wrought out His possessions, are all questions having a purposes of Redemption, as made known moral side—are all mixed questions; cal constitution cannot be immovable | mutable law of "the immovable kingmust be subject to change and "shaking." dom." Why, every act of the civil pow-The ever growing and changing civiliza- er, whether executive or legislative or tion of men and communities demands judicial, has a moral side, but Christ

vate judgment * * are universal has given the allegiance of his soul-is Christian Church which we will now generated humanity to stretch itself United States was originally organized, and inalienable. '-- [Form of Gov't, ch. | that which makes Church and State co- notice as illustrating her immovability, upon it, and all such coverings too nar- and has since continued the bond of I] The word of God is perspicuous. ordinate, having different spheres, dif- is the germinal principle of the govern- row for the new man to wrap himself union in the Church, upon the conceded Each man is bound to interpret it for ferent origins, different natures, differ- ment which Her King has established in them. But the true law that Christ himself, explaining Scripture by Scrip- ent ends and different modes for the ex- within Her. Now, taking for granted has ordained for His people only gathers ture. We go to no prophet—no assem- ercise of their authority. Hence the that our Standards express the mind of strength and life from the advance of is no bar to Christian communion. bly of Christian men-to have our con- Church as such owes no duty to the Christ on this as on every other depart- society, and omnipotence from the work science bound by their word. Christian- State, except (1,) obedience to the ment of His Kingdom, we are at once of the Holy Spirit. ity requires every man to be his own State in the exercise of its lawful au- struck with the fact that they provide 6. "These doctrines concerning the judge, to seek immediate fellowship with others like minded, and forbids with others like minded, and forbids with others like minded, and forbids over the public property of the courts of rulers corresponding to the different senses in which the word church solemnly affirm and maintain against the bessing, it has so long prosof her immovabilities completed, the immovable kingdom, which we also have attempt to subjugate the free mind and all the citizens of the State. But this the congregation of believers worship-bly for the past six years. conscience of man always prepares massecond duty arises not from the relation ing in a particular house, or the several (a) That Assembly in '61 assumed and portion of the Church; a result which terial for convulsions. A kingdom that of Church members to others as fellow congregations of a particular city or exercised the power of the Supreme every good citizen must deplore, as tendinflexibly enacts and requires and se- citizens, but as fellow sinners. What district, or the whole body of believers Court of the U. States, to interpret the cures this inalienable right as an indis- the Church is bound to do "to all na- in the world. Thus we have congrega- civil constitution of the land. They deable prerequisite to citizenship, plainly tions' she is bound especially to do to tional, district, synodical, and, when cided between two equally venerable inhas divested herself of a dangerous and the nation in which God has cast her the development is finished, coumenitier terpretations of that constitution. The schism between brethren who maintain a to stifle the voice of testimony to what On the other hand the State owes no ciple which runs through all is, "the correct interpretation or not. The point conscience affirms, that invariably breeds duty to the Church, except to protect power of the whole is in every part, and the is, that they exercised a forbidden and commotion. A kingdom that secures to the public property of the Church and power of the whole is over the power of pernicious power, carrying the church every man this natural right, and re- the persons of Church members in the every part." That is to say, the prima- away from her immovable sphere. They quires its exercise, stands plainly on an same manner in which she protects the ry court of the church, by her divine changed her nature from a court of Je mmovable rock. Our standards go on property of other corporate bodies and and immovable constitution, has all the sus Christ into a political conclave. For ciple,"—the rights of private judg-meut—"every Christian Church * * Church and State, which allows the gether in my name there am I"—the church must not handle political affairs: midst of them." Nevertheless, because opinion as to whether the act in quesking the terms either too lax or too nar- occasional terrific convulsions of social pattern of "the things in heaven,"-be- the unfairness of his mind. The man row; yet, even in this case they do not order. In order to be immovable and cause the visible is begotten in the very who can make such an assertion, is beothers, but only make an improper use be equally incapable of becoming the the whole is over the power of every ment. The Assembly expressly intended ally or the enemy of the State in any part," reviewing the lower, receiving to decide the true interpretation of the not merely reaffirmed these novel and No man can be bound at all involun- of its designs. And it was because and issuing appeals, and seeing that the civil charter. This was the eating of monstrous doctrines in violation of the tarily. Every man is free to hold and Christ was the King of such a Kingdom, lower does not transgress the immovable the forbidden fruit. limits. The very idea which lies in the udgment, in all things in which he does their Messiah, and crucified Him as a nature of the higher court is the power the constitution of the church, and not voluntarily bind himself and remain blasphemous impostor. A king that of review and of receiving appeals, in or usurped the prerogative of "Christ as kings and law-givers, even as there are no intermediate priests. No council or ecclesiastic now stands between the Church and Him who is her King and holds fast that profession. We see at Christ in order to test the nature of that the same of the word of God, on all points except those in which he would and murderous hostility—was that the complete and priests. The limits the complete and priests which God has given Her. It does not militate against this fundamental law, but establishes it, that the lower court he had not spoken—legislated where he had not spoken—legislated where he had not legislated." They added to the Prophet, in the same exclusive sense once, in light clear as noonday, how royalty to which he laid claim. A piece to the higher for the sake of conven- church's complete and perfect rule of embraced such persons or bodies, so us in our few and simple terms of fel- ought to pay it. A civil question con- exercise of the delegated power to be in between the church on the one hand, long it must from the necessity of the lowship, we are bound by our charter to cerning an inheritance was submitted in the delegating body, and also the and her members and officers on the cordially give and secure to him the to Him, and He was asked to decide it. right to recall the delegation for the other. They grossly ignored the sphere principle? could be shaken, "as things that are right and the exercise of private judg- A criminal case of adultery was laid same reasons for which it was made, to- of the church as a Spiritual Kingdom,

> fountains of power." But we are wandering. Christ has incomplete until the last stone is laid | WOULD MY SERVANTS FIGHT." and the last nail is driven; but as the body. It is a perfect tree and a perfect in connection with her unchangeable different penalty. The State may acquit highest development. The power that nesses for the TRUTH. But we are seek charter, exactly counterpart to man's and the Church condemn. The State is over the power of every part is the ing principles and not acts, and for this makes the kingdom of the unchangea. The State may make that an offence at There cannot, therefore, be conflict or ten to the end. ble King a kingdom that cannot be mo. one time which is not an offence at an. concussion while that power is clearly other. That which is once an offence understood and faithfully administered. Hence the Presbyterian Standards well in "the immovable kingdom," is always | The very nature of the government of scriptural and unconstitutional princiaffirm :- [Conf. of Faith, ch. XXXI] - an offence. The State may increase or our church fixes a centre of equilibrium Synods and councils are to handle or diminish the list of its offences; may that balances the whole system in indeconclude nothing but that which is ec- add to or take from the qualifications structible order. It cannot be moved. clesiastical; and are not to intermeddle for citizenship or office-bearing; in a The system must be abandoned before with civil affairs which concern the word, may alter or abolish one or all of convulsion can occur; and then the slavery to be "a sin," and declared its its civil institutions. Not so the Chris- "shaking" is outside of the kingdom abolition a "duty," and "that every It may be well to look at this grand tian Church. The list of its offences and not within. The things that cannot Christian man should address himself

Assembly itself made the following de-

hath said, or add to or take from "the court-a thing perfectly abhorrent to an admitted fact. That they did not de God alone is Lord of the conscience; pagan idea of religion and its relation en Her—to uphold and exhibit unfalteringly that perfect truth, as the pillars and, more than all these, the quicken—to the first free from the destript to the civil government. teringly that perfect truth, as the pillars and, more than all these, the quicken-5. The next and last attribute of the such bed has proven too short for re- bly of the Presbyterian Church in the

cal Presbyteries. But the forming prin- question is not whether they gave a common faith.' power of the whole church universal. any man to say, that "there was no The power of the whole is in every part." question between the Assembly and the slavery by the civil power; it still re-God-man with all my power-"in the the only question was one of fact or the church on earth is created after the tion was political;" is simply to show or the commandments of men? image of the invisible, -"the power of | youd the reach of evidence and argu-

By this act the Assembly "violated der that by the judgment of the greater her sole King and Lawgiver, and made, It is utterly abhorrent to the church's bearing. They violated every one of nature that the higher court should the aforementioned particulars of the command the lower to violate the laws church's divine constitution,-princiience or efficiency. The very act of faith and practice. They invaded the delegation assumes the right of original freedom of conscience and the compact wit: convenience or efficiency. The making the church, as such, loyal to idea that the higher court can give Cæsar, and that too, to one of two rival rights to or abridge the prerogatives of | Cæsars, -the very thing which Christ the lower, is subversive of the germinal refused to do at the cost of crucifixion. principle of the government of Christ's They acted on the principle of the sub-Kingdom,—the principle upon which ordination of the church to the State. her immovability so far forth is found- And they destroyed that principle of ed. The truth is all the other way. It our church government in which its is the lower courts that have the di- very life-blood consists. It was the vine right to enlarge or abridge the poison which this Assembly took and sphere and prerogatives of the higher. pressed to the lips of the church, that Consequently our Standards forbid the corrupted her whole subsequent life. General Assembly to establish any con. Here was the fountain which sent forth stitutional rule without first submitting all the bitter streams of subsequent it to the Presbyteries for their sanction. years. From this point the Assembly When the Assembly does so, she vio- | was perfectly consistent, except that, lates the very axiom of Presbyterianism, in abandoning the spirituality of the -that constitution which we believe the church, it sometimes proceeded on the Lord has given his people. Even now, principle that the State was subordinate none deny the right of the Presbyteries to the Church, and at other times on the to abridge the prerogatives of the high- principle that the Church was subordiest court at their pleasure. And the nate to the State. In this act they as-

liverance when she was purging herself | State. (b) But in 1862, the Assembly, whilst from the evil effects of having departed from the letter and spirit of our Stand- in the main consistent with its former terian Church, * * * is a constituother principle, that the Chnrch is sution of specific powers granted by the perior to and the master of the State; for Presbyteries, the fountains of power, to it declared: "It is the clear and solemn the Synods and the General Assembly." duty of the National Government to pre No powers not specifically granted can | serve at whatsver cost the National Union, be lawfully inferred or assumed by the and *** TO CRUSH FORCE BY FORCE. General Assembly." (Minutes of 1837.) The church, assembled as a court of How wide from the Presbyterianism of Jesus Christ, dictated a policy to the our book is the novel doctrine, now so State, -and that too a policy of blood. loudly proclaimed, that the Assembly | She dropped the keys and seized the new political institutions; and if the the King remands all these questions to can do every thing not forbidden in the sword. Does any mortal man dare to Standards. The truth is all the other say that the Assembly did not handle, way, the Assembly can do nothing but and did not intend to handle "affairs what it is allowed to do by express grant | which concern the Commonwealth?' from its constituents, who are "the Must not every spiritual ear hear, in awful contrast, the words of the Divine Master, speaking as the Head of the constructed the church not as the hu- Church: "PUT UP THE SWORD"-"MY man architect builds a house, which is KINGDOM IS NOT OF THIS WORLD, ELSE

sumed the subordination of Church to

The Assembly of 1863 re-affirmed all Divine Architect builds a tree or human | its previous actions, with increased violence and increased and successful efhuman form from germ to the point of forts to intimidate and silence the witsame as that which is in every part. reason, as well as failing time, we has-

> (c) The Assembly of '64, amidst other acts proceeding from the same unples, made a deliverance on the subject of slavery, contrary to the word of God and the previous utterance of the Assembly in 1845. They pronounced with industry and earnestness to his appropriate part in the performance of this great duty." Hear what the Assem -"The Church of Christ is a spiritual

sembly is called to decide is this: the Scriptures teach that the holding of slaves, without regard to circumstances is a sin, the renunciation of which should be made a condition of membership in

"It is impossible to answer this question in the affirmative, without contradicting some of the plainest declarations of heart as unto Christ, are facts which ces. meet the eye of every reader of the New

principle that the existence of domestic slavery, under the circumstances in which it is found in the Southern portion of the country,

2. That the petitions that ask the Assembly to make the holding of slaves in itself a matter of discipline, do virtually pered. The tendency is evidently to parate the Northern from the Southern ing to the dissolution of the Union of our beloved country, and which every enlightened Christian will oppose as bringing about a ruinous and unnecessary

[Yeas 168, nays 13, excused 4.] -Minutes, 1845, pp. 16-18. The Church in '64 through her highest court not only added to the word of God, but contradicted that blessed book. The question has lost none of its im- Abrahamic, Mosaic and Christian Church, portance because of the obolition of Being one of a Series of Sabbath Evening Disshall be the rule of faith and practice in the kingdom of God,-the word of God

(d) And if any doubt whether this be

sembly of '65 ought to put the doubt to rest in every mind. That Assembly word of God and the Standards of our Church, but formally required a cordial belief and approbation of them as a con- GEO. W. MORRIS. dition of membership and office-bearing in the Church; and constituted the Exnumber a faithful execution of the un- without the shadow of authority, a new ecutive Committee of the Board of Dochangeable charter may be secured. condition of membership and office- mestic Missions and their Secretary, a court of final and superior jurisdictions to judge of the orthodoxy of ministers in reference to the Assembly's doctrines of Her King, or to change or increase or diminish the complete and perfect code "the immovable kingdom." The Highwhich God has given Her. It does not est Court of the Church took the seat of departure of the Assembly from the old militate against this fundamental law, but establishes it, that the lower court he had not spoken—legislated where he had not spoken—legislated where he nlied only to some and not to all. It is that must undergo the examination. Ministers and people in the North may hold their own views without molestation. Could wrong doing go further in

> (e) And the Assembly of '66 reaffirmed all the past corruptions of doctrine and manners, and boldly took into their own hands all Church | Stock, which he will sell at the lowest prices, power. They assumed original jurisdiction over ministers, elders and Church members. They dissolved Presbyteries and punished office-bearers without the form of trial or indictment. They required unquestioning obedience to whatever the Assembly might choose to ordain. They made their own ordinances and deliverances as binding upon the whole Church as the written constitution. What more could be done? If I should attempt to detail to you a tithe of the acts of that once venerable court, in which they violated the Crown Rights of Christ and the doctrines of Scripture as interpreted in our Standards, the sun would rise before the work was done. To have an adequate impression of the extent to which the Church has been revolutionized, one must read the whole proceedings and debates of the past six Assemblies in the order and fulness of their history. Even liberty of speech is gone, and the

> voice of testimony is hushed. Now, let me ask who has been shaken and moved? Is it the ecclesiastical or gsnization to which we once belonged, or is it the kingdom of God? The things which cannot be shaken of course remain; and as we behold our former companions carried away, as by a flood, from the ancient homestead, we have the abide in "the kingdom that cannot be RRV. R. L. DABNEY, D. D., Professor of Sysblessed consolation of knowing that we moved.'

> It is common for men who partake of the motion of a moving body, to refer their own change of place to the fixed points around them. Thus men refer their own motion in connection with the synds of Va. and N. C. It proposes to give a synds of Va. and N. C. It proposes to give a synds of Va. and N. C. It proposes to give a the motion of a moving body, to refer earth's to the sun and the stars, which are indeed immovable orbs. It requires | celestial observations to correct the mistake. For this reason we have invited you this evening to make a few celestial observations, by which real may be distinguished from apparent neighborhood, accessible by South Side and marian We abide where we have Danville Railroads. The necessary expenses motion. We abide where we have ever stood, on the immutable Word of God. We seek grace to serve God acceptably by faithfulness to the constition of the immovable kingdom.

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